

# GERMAN NOTE MAY BE BASIS FOR NEGOTIATION

## BARBER ASKS PROBE OF RECORD

### PICTURE THEATER OF VIROQUA BEATS THE "BLUE LAWS"

**B. C. Brown Found Not Guilty  
of Violating Old Statute by  
Keeping Open on Sabbath**

**PETITION TO CLOSE HOUSE  
CIRCULATED BY W. C. T. U.**

**Right to Operate on Claim Ma-  
jority Wants Sunday Shows**

**VIROQUA, Wis.**—After a day of intense excitement this town has settled back to the even tenor of its ways—and the town's movie theater will not be closed on Sundays for alleged violation of the "blue laws."

On Monday B. C. Brown, owner of the Star theater was given a jury trial before Judge T. O. Mahoney. Business in town was practically at a standstill while the townspeople crowded into the court room to hear the trial.

**W. C. T. U. Circulates Petition**

The complaint was based on a petition circulated by the W. C. T. U. and which was signed by about 250 persons. The petition stated that the movie theater was not a necessity and therefore was operated on Sundays in violation of the old state law which seeks to regulate the activities of people and business on Sundays and which states what enterprises may or may not operate on Sundays.

Adolph Heinz, district attorney, presented the case and Brown was defended by C. J. Smith, who made an eloquent plea that there is no need of his theater business on Sunday and that the people of Viroqua wanted the theater open on Sundays as there had no other amusement or means of obtaining entertainment.

**West Salem Talks Closing**

**WEST SALEM, Wis.**—There has been some talk in this village of closing the picture theater of the town on Sundays. There has been no definite move in that direction but the idea has been discussed. It was learned on Wednesday, to enforce the "blue law" closing theaters and places of amusement on Sundays.

### TWO APPLY FOR PASSPORTS FOR TRIP TO EUROPE

John Dowe, a tailor who has a shop in State street, has applied to Clerk of the United States court Alfred Harrison for a passport to his native country, Jugoslavia. Mr. Dowe plans to sail on June 5 and will spend several weeks visiting relatives in his former home.

Rev. Peter Telewider of Cashton has applied for a passport to Luxembourg, where he will make a visit.

### WEATHER RECORD

For La Crosse and vicinity—Unsettled and cooler tonight with probably showers Thursday and continued cold.

For Wisconsin—Showers and cooler tonight Thursday partly cloudy and continued cold. Strong west to north winds.

For Iowa—Partly cloudy to night; probable rain in northeast portion. Cooler in east and south portions. Thursday fair and slightly warmer.

For Iowa—Fair tonight and Thursday except somewhat unsettled in east portion. Light frost over north portion. Somewhat warmer Thursday.

**TODAY'S TEMPERATURES**

6 a. m.	42	10 a. m.	41
1 p. m.	42	11 a. m.	42
2 a. m.	42	12 m.	42
3 a. m.	42	1 m.	42
4 a. m.	41	2 m.	42

**RIVER FORECAST**

There will probably be a slight rise in the river, stages below Reeds during the next 24 hours.

**RIVER IN FLOOD**

Stations	Flood Height 24-hour Change
St. Paul	4.2
Red Wing	4.0
Winona	3.8
Leeds	3.5
St. Cloud	3.2
La Crosse	2.8
Madison	2.5
Rockford	2.2
Bellevue	1.8
Keokuk	1.5

**NATION-WIDE RECORD**

Stations	Lowest Nightly Prec.
Bismarck	28
Denver	29
Chicago	30
Des Moines	31
El Paso	32
Houston	33
Indianapolis	34
Los Angeles	35
Memphis	36
Minneapolis	37
Mobile	38
San Francisco	39
St. Louis	40
Washington	41

### Landis Demands Crushing Bell-boy "Pandering Trust"

**CHICAGO**—Evidence revealing the operations of an alleged "bell boys' pandering trust," operating in town and outlying hotels, was ordered turned over to State's Attorney Crows by Judge Landis Tuesday.

After listening to the stories told by Marshall Gordon of Cleveland, on trial charged with violation of the Mann act, and Helen Schultz concerning conditions in various downtown hotels, Judge Landis issued subpoenas for six of their managers.

The New Tremont, Astor, Grant, New Jackson, Briggs House, and Chandler hotels were those implicated by two witnesses. When their managers appeared Judge Landis confronted them with the charges that through the "bell boys' trust," pandering had been openly carried on.

All of the managers denied knowledge of such conditions and promised rigid investigations.

### SENATOR CRITICIZES U. S. TREATMENT OF FORMER SERVICE MEN

**Bay State Solon Has Program  
of Legislation to Remedy  
Existing Conditions**

**ADMINISTRATION OF SOLDIER  
RELIEF LAWS SCORED BY WALSH**

**Conditions "Incredible" He Tells  
the Senate**

**WASHINGTON, D. C.**—Treatment of former service men in the way of hospital care, compensation, vocational training and insurance, was criticized severely Wednesday by Senator Walsh, democrat, Massachusetts, who introduced a slate of bills to remedy conditions about which the war veterans have complained.

Senator Walsh pronounced "incredible" some of the conditions in administering soldier relief laws.

"Government 'bureaucracy' and 'red tape' was ascribed as reasons for conditions."

That the three principal agencies of soldier rehabilitation, the war risk insurance bureau, the federal board for vocational education and the public health service had "failed miserably in co-ordinated efforts," was asserted by Senator Walsh.

To aid the veterans Senator Walsh's bill would provide a constructive program of legislation, including:

Repeal of the law forbidding payment of compensation to incapacitated ex-service men unless their disability occurred within one year after discharge.

Repeal of the law limiting filling of claims to five years after the annulment.

Repeal of the law requiring veterans to prove that tuberculosis or certain other ailments were caused by their service.

Payment of all war risk insurance policies in three installments to beneficiaries instead of in 210 monthly payments.

Permitting reinstatement without physical re-examination of all lapsed policies upon payment of two months' premiums.

A law for payment of lapsed policies on men dying since the armistice, after deduction of premiums due at time of death.

Reorganization of the bureau of war risk insurance, giving regional officials direct authority to accept or reject compensation claims without reference to Washington.

An inquiry by the senate into hospital conditions where service men are receiving treatment.

Enlargement of emergency hospital facilities and increase in medical and nursing corps, or commandeering of east coast and summer hotels for temporary hospital use, while new government hospitals are being completed.

### WISCONSIN RIVER AND TRIBUTARIES AT FLOOD STAGE

**WATSAU, Wis.**—Heavy rains yesterday and last night in the Wisconsin River valley have sent the Wisconsin River and its tributaries to flood stages today. With more rain forecast much damage is looked for.

Some damage was done last night by the rain. The lakes and rivers in northern Wisconsin are almost overflowing and no trout fishing will be had for almost a week. The season had just opened May 1. The roads leading to these streams were made impassable by the rains.

### CONSERVATION HEAD MAKES DEMAND FOR LEGISLATIVE QUIZ

**Charges of Graft and Bribery are  
Made Against Local Man and  
Fellow-Commissioner**

**RECEIVED MONEY FOR WINKING  
AT LAW VIOLATION IS CLAIM**

**Committee Leaves Action on Re-  
quest Up to Legislature**

**MADISON, Wis.**—Action to be taken on the request of W. E. Barber, chairman of the conservation commission, that a legislative committee be appointed to investigate charges of graft and bribery made against himself and Commissioner James Nevin, will be determined without committee recommendation.

The senate state affairs committee in executive session Tuesday night decided to allow the request to come before the upper house as a communication, and not as a resolution calling for a joint investigating committee to probe the charges. The latter course had been asked by the commission.

**Accepted Bribe is Charge**

Allegations of M. A. Schwab, traveling secretary of the Wisconsin Game Protective Association, that Mr. Barber had received \$1,000 from trappers of Winnebago county for them to trap one month before the opening of the season, and that members of the commission had received money for allowing game law violations were the immediate causes of the commission's request.

Committee members have expressed themselves as unwilling to probe the investigation through their committee. They say that the initiative should be taken by the entire legislature, if taken at all.

### BEGIN COLLECTION OF GARBAGE FIRST OF NEXT MONTH

**Health Department Urges Co-  
operation of Citizens in Mat-  
ter of Keeping City Clean**

The city wagons will begin the collection of garbage on Monday, May 2, according to announcement of the city health department on Tuesday.

The contract for collecting the garbage was again let to Dr. J. E. West of Madison, who has his firm on French Island. Although he had the contract for the last five years, Dr. West refused to sign up for longer than a year at the meeting held at the city hall Monday afternoon.

With the beginning of the garbage collection for this year, the city health department announces that there are several means of co-operation which people can afford in order to lend assistance to the department in this service.

It is urged that each residence maintain a regular garbage can with a water tight cover. Cans without handles and proper covering should be replaced with another in compliance with the ordinance affecting garbage cans. Boxes and old pails used as garbage cans are a violation of the city ordinance and those people maintaining such receptacles are subject to a fine.

Where there is an alley through the block, people are requested to keep the garbage cans near or in the alley, and in the event there is not an alley in the rear of the residence, citizens will greatly aid the service if the cans are not placed in the most remote corner of the back lot. The service will not be responsible for garbage not collected which has been kept on the back porch until the wagon has passed. Rotting garbage cannot be loaded as the wagons would then become a nuisance.

People of the city are urged to cooperate with the department in every possible manner in the matter of keeping the city clean.

### I. O. O. F. OBSERVES FOUNDING OF ORDER IN U. S. TONIGHT

**Redolf Encampment, No. 9, I. O. O. F.** will be the host to the three La Crosse lodges of the Odd Fellows, Gateway City, La Crosse Valley and Normanna lodges, this evening in Odd Fellows temple, 121 South Fourth street, in observance of the 102nd anniversary of the founding of Odd Fellowship in America. Paul W. Mahoney, grand representative, will be the principal speaker this evening.

### ST. JAMES DEFEATS LOGAN SCHOOL, 5-4

The St. James school ball team defeated the Logan school Tuesday night, 5 to 4. St. James' battery was Dandam and Theop, for the Logan, Saman and Lawrence. One of the features of the game was the two home runs walked out by Jack Thibault.

### La Crosse Man Demands Probe To Clear Name



**WILLIAM E. BARBER**

William E. Barber, of La Crosse, was appointed a member of the state conservation commission by Gov. E. L. Phillips in 1918, for a term of seven years. Before accepting the post on the commission Mr. Barber was proprietor of a laundry in La Crosse which is now operated by his son, Sewell E. Barber, and his son-in-law, Russell V. Stormont.

### EIGHTEEN BECOME CITIZENS OF U. S. AT RITUAL TUESDAY

**Citizenship Diplomas Presented  
to Vocational School Class  
Tuesday Evening**

After satisfactorily completing the course in citizenship in the La Crosse vocational school under the direction of John E. Coleman, and passing the final examination given by the federal examiner for this district, eighteen residents of the city received citizenship diplomas at the ritual held under the auspices of the community council at the normal auditorium Tuesday night.

The men receiving the citizenship diplomas are as follows: P. Prellwitz, J. Fisher, P. Schmitz, R. Uech, J. P. Deutscher, J. Corbin, B. Schoenfeld, V. Kostelci, E. C. Zabo, J. Gurtoski, J. Wagner, H. Landgard, C. Perry, P. Tomaska, J. Fermanek, M. Kriegl, O. J. Optimum, E. Wedeking.

**Organizations Take Part**

Held under the auspices of the La Crosse County Community council, the co-ordinating organizations, included the Teachers' club, Twentieth Century club, ward workers of the Community council, La Crosse Women's club and the Catholic Women's league. They contributed admirably to the success of the program, which welcomed eighteen residents of the city into citizenship of the United States.

Seated on the stage in a semi-circle, the eighteen graduates of the class in citizenship of the vocational school were surrounded by thirteen girls, representing the original states, who took their places on the stage as the orchestra played "Columbia, the Gem of the Ocean." The remaining thirty-five states of the union were represented by members of the above named organizations. Violet Stewart, of the Buskin club of the normal school, as herald, gave the declaration, "The Defense of the Flag," and representatives of the G. A. R., Spanish American War Veterans and the American Legion took places on the stage.

**Choir is Impressive**

With representatives of all of the community organizations surrounding the citizenship candidates on the stage, the full vested choir of Christ's church, under the direction of Prof. Thornton, began the procession, singing the hymn, "God of Our Faith." The Normanna Singsonger, under the direction of Mr. Forsyth, singing an evensong, made a wonderful impression. During the rendition of this song, twelve girls of the vocational school, dressed in white and carrying wreaths in memory of fallen heroes, came into position on the stage.

W. C. Streel, commander of the local post of the American Legion, gave the memorial to the soldier dead. Mary Janssen and George Diller of the vocational school, gave recitations.

Attended by nearly two hundred of the vocational students, the program was designed to inspire the younger generation in the matter of the hardships endured by those men in attaining citizenship in the United States.

The citizenship diplomas were presented by W. C. Greenwald, instructor in the vocational school. Rev. Winter also presided at the program.

**Second to be Held**

The ritual is the second one of its nature to be held in the city under the auspices of the Community Council, a similar affair being held for the first time last year. The vocational school has now taken charge of the training of those people who desire to become citizens of the United States, the examinations being formally held by the judge of the circuit court. The men who received their citizenship diplomas last evening have been in attendance at the vocational school for a period ranging from eight months to three years.

Five additional men, G. J. Abdo, R. W. Brunk, P. J. Kuthke, A. Weisner and E. Hasselbusch, who have furnished certificates of proficiency, have applied for their second papers and will in all probability be received into citizenship at the expiration of the required time between receiving their first and second papers.

### REPORTED UNITED STATES IS INFLUENCING GERMANY TO INCREASE HER OFFER

**French and British Still Officially Undecided as  
to Acceptance; Reported France is Inflexible  
in Determination to Extend Occu-  
pation of Ruhr District**

**THAT** the German reparations offer, totalling fifty billion dollars in annuities over a period of thirty to forty-two years, may be a basis for negotiations but will not be accepted as it stands because of the terms suggested by Germany in its note to President Harding seems to be the trend of developments on Wednesday.

Secretary Hughes, who is known to be working on the matter in close relation with the French and British governments through their representatives in Washington, has not so far indicated whether or not he will transmit the German proposals formally to the allies. Word from Berlin by special correspondents indicates that exchanges are taking place between the United States and Germany, in which, it is said, certain alterations are being pressed on Germany. That these suggestions are not being repulsed is indicated.

Henry Wales, of the Chicago Tribune Foreign News service, reported on Tuesday that after communication with Washington through Loring Dresel, American commissioner to Germany, "ameliorations" had been made in the German offer which make it almost similar to the demands of the allies in the Paris agreement. A higher rate of interest than four per cent on the international loan suggested, an abandonment of the proviso that the allies must not use force to enforce the reparation terms and of the plea for abandonment of the military occupation of the Rhineland, are suggested by the correspondent as terms which may be in process of modification.

Meantime there is no indication of any change in the French intention to extend the area of occupation on May 1, unless the terms of the treaty are fully complied with—which seems entirely out of the question at this date.

**Hughes Decision Delayed**

WASHINGTON, D. C.—Secretary Hughes continued his study Wednesday of the German reparations counter proposals to determine the course he will recommend to President Harding for the United States to take toward them.

Whether he will favor transmitting them to the allied powers, returning them to Germany or seeking further information from Berlin on the subject will be governed, it is understood, almost entirely by the decisions of the allied governments themselves.

**Await Word From Allies**

Word from the allied capitals as to the stability of the German counter proposals on reparations was awaited by Secretary Hughes before he framed his reply to the latest communication from Berlin.

The views of the allied governments were expected to be transmitted through their ambassadors here with whom the secretary of state conferred late yesterday after the German proposals had been discussed by President Harding and his cabinet. Up to noon the American government had no authoritative information as to the attitude of the allied powers.

Since the receipt of the German proposals Tuesday there has been no further exchanges between the United States and Berlin. This statement was officially authorized after the publication in this country of Berlin dispatches saying that Mr. Hughes had sought elucidation of certain points in the German communication.

**Conferences were Informal**

It was emphasized again that the conferences the secretary of state had Tuesday with the allied diplomats here, were purely of an informal nature, designed solely to develop the opinions of the governments of Great Britain, France, Italy, Belgium, and Japan. From Secretary Hughes' procedure it also was assumed that German proposals would be transmitted by the United States to the allies, unless definite assurances had been obtained previously that these proposals were regarded as offering a basis for renewed negotiations.

**French Decision Tonight**

PARIS.—By The Associated Press.—Germany's proposals relative to reparations are still being considered by Premier Briand and it is probable a decision will not be reached before Wednesday night regarding their acceptance or rejection. When such a decision is reached it will be communicated first to the United States government and until such time, Ambassador Jusserand will be given no instructions whatever regarding the French attitude toward Germany's terms.

**Called 100 Billion Too Low**

Germany's proposals are entirely insufficient, it is declared, being at least 100,000,000,000 marks below the figure fixed by the supreme allied council upon a minimum amounting to approximately 225,000,000,000 marks with the addition of an undetermined sum equal to 12 per cent of German exports over a period of years. In discussing the German terms, it

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### DIES ON OPERATING TABLE WHILE THERE FOR EXAMINATION

**Fred Flukeyer Stricken With  
Apoplexy After Recovering  
from Minor Operation**

While lying on the operating table in a local hospital for a final examination before being sent home after recovering from the effects of a minor operation, Fred Flukeyer died suddenly Tuesday morning at 10 o'clock when stricken with apoplexy.

Mr. Flukeyer submitted to an operation for hernia at the hospital three weeks ago. He had recovered and was about to have a final examination before being sent home when the stroke of apoplexy caused his death.

For twenty years Mr. Flukeyer was section foreman for the Milwaukee road here. He is survived by his wife and two sons, Romeo and Clarence and one daughter, Margaret.

The funeral will be held from the residence 208 Caldecott street Friday afternoon at 1:30 and from the St. Mary's church at 2:30. Rev. J. L. Panzani will officiate and interment will be in Oak Grove cemetery.

### WIFE INJURED IN TROLLEY COLLISION; MAN ASKS DAMAGES

Fred Oliver has filed suit against the Wisconsin Railway Light and Power company in circuit court for \$971 damages for injuries sustained by his wife, Anna Oliver, who was hurt in a collision between two south street cars Feb. 11, 1920. The damages are asked to cover bills for hospital and medical treatment.

### PENNSYLVANIA ROAD REDUCES DIVIDEND

**PHILADELPHIA, Pa.**—The Pennsylvania Railroad company Wednesday reduced its quarterly dividend to one per cent. The decrease is a quarterly reduction of one-half per cent. This is the first time in twenty-two years the Pennsylvania has reduced the annual dividend basis below six per cent. Since 1899 it has paid six per cent annually with the exception of 1906 when it paid 4 1/2 and in 1907 it paid 7 per cent. For seven years prior to 1899 the dividends were 5 per cent.

### EIGHTEENTH CHILD BORN TO IRONWOOD FAMILY

**IRONWOOD, Mich.**—When a physician went to a home in response to a call, he found John Mattson pondering over a list of names. Mattson was looking for a name for the eighteenth baby in the family. It was a girl. Fifteen of the children are living. The mother is 44 and the father 46.

### POPE BENEDICT NAMES AMERICAN BISHOPS

**ROME.**—By The Associated Press.—Pope Benedict has appointed Hugh C. Boyle, rector of the Church of St. Mary Magdalen of Mount Saint, as bishop of Pittsburgh. The pontiff also appointed Monsignor Emanuel of Chicago to be bishop of Corpus Christi, Texas.

### HARDING REVIEWS FLEET

**WASHINGTON.**—President Harding was to leave Washington late Wednesday on the presidential yacht, Mayflower, for Old Point Comfort, where early Tuesday he will review the Atlantic fleet for the first time.

# ORGANIZATION OF NATIVE SONS AND DAUGHTERS IS INAUGURATED AT ASHLAND

## WISCONSIN WILL ADOPT CALIFORNIA ADVERTISING PLAN

Subordinate Dens to be Organized in Various Cities of the State

That Wisconsin is going to take a leaf from the book of California in the matter of state advertising and publicity, is evidenced by the organization of The Native Sons and Daughters of the Badger State which was launched in Ashland the other day. This organization has as its inspiration the wonderful success which has been made by The Native Sons of the Golden West, in increasing the value of the state and in increasing the value of the state's products.

The first annual meeting was held in Ashland on April 19, 1921, which in view of the fact that Ashland stands near the site of the first habitation of the white man ever built on Wisconsin soil, seems quite fitting. Don C. A. Laursen, a prominent Ashland attorney, a former state senator and a past grand commander of the Wisconsin Knights Templar, and present chairman of the Wisconsin Waterways commission, was elected as the first grand chief native badger. B. H. Quisthoff, county clerk of Ashland county, and born in that county, was elected senior vice chief.

native badger. Mr. Quisthoff is national aide to the commander in chief of the United Spanish War Veterans and a state officer of the Knights of Columbus.

David Murray, president of the Ashland Rotary club, was elected as junior vice grand chief native badger. W. K. Currie, who has for the past year been secretary of the Ashland Chamber of Commerce, was elected as grand secretarial native badger. Mr. Currie was born in Dodge county.

R. B. Woodward, president of the Farmers and Merchants' bank of Ashland, was elected grand deputy treasurer.

**Organize Other Dens**  
It is proposed to organize subordinate dens throughout the state during the coming year. The governing body of the organization will be the grand den of the grand den and the subordinate

den being taken from the heart of the badger and will be composed of a county chief of native badgers from each county in the state. These county chiefs will be elected by a county den council each year at which each den will be represented by delegates. The grand den will meet annually. The headquarters of the grand den will be at Ashland.

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NEW YORK.—A letter from President Harding bespeaking a continuance of the loyal motives that inspired American newspapers during the war was read Tuesday at the annual luncheon of The Associated Press, at the Waldorf-Astoria.

Regretting that he could not yield to the temptation to play (minor and attend the luncheon of fellow publishers, he also expressed the hope that the administration would be able to deserve and retain the loyal measure of good will and confidence accorded it thus far.

Frank B. Noyes, president of The Associated Press, in behalf of the gathering, pledged support and sympathy to President Harding in the great task he is confronting, and gave the only toast offered on this occasion: "The president of the United States."

The guest of honor at the luncheon held in connection with the annual meeting was John W. Davis, formerly ambassador to Great Britain, who made his first appearance as general counsel for The Associated Press.

Remarking that editorial comment was secondary to the news column in influence upon public opinion, he congratulated the Associated Press "because by the general verdict of mankind it has performed its duty without bias, without prejudice and without partisanship, and in an earnest pursuit of the truth where it might be found."

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## The Screen

AT THE THEATERS TODAY  
Rivoli—"Black Beauty," with Jean Paige, Edgar comedy, "Edgar's Jonah Day."  
Majestic—"Mary Miles Minter in 'The Little Clown'"; Klugegrams; vaudeville.  
Hudson—"William Fox's great melodrama, 'When New York Sleeps'"; four prize winning amateur acts; wild animal serial, "Lost City"; Rivoli's orchestral.  
Casino—"Rea Nevak and Harry Gibson in 'Up in Mary's Attic'"; Fox News, Strand—Vaudeville; Janet Willard in songs and comedy character and Louis and Owens in songs, dances and comedy bits; Pauline Frederick in "Bonds of Love"; William Duncan serial; Fox News.

STORY THAT LIVED FOR  
FORTY YEARS REVIVED IN  
"BLACK BEAUTY" AT RIVOLI  
More than nine hundred and ninety-nine out of every thousand stories which enjoyed some degree of popularity more than forty years ago have been utterly forgotten. The thousandth, read and remembered by generations after generations, holds a warmer place in the heart of mankind than any newly published book can reach.

For that reason, books which have stood the test of time have been sought eagerly by motion picture concerns. In many cases stories written in past centuries have been modernized in some degree, occasionally this seems excusable, but in some instances it is highly objectionable.

In visualizing "Black Beauty," Anna Sewall's world famous "Autobiography of a Horse," Vitagraph has adhered absolutely to the work as written, in subject matter, period and all else. The costumes worn by the human characters are those of the early seventies. There are no automobiles, no telephones. That is why John had to ride Black Beauty at killing speed

for the doctor when Mrs. Gordon fell dangerously ill.  
"Black Beauty," all star special production with Jean Paige in the leading human role, starts today at the Rivoli theater.

CLEVER ATHLETES IN  
CIRCUS FILM CLOSING  
AT MAJESTIC TODAY

The cast of Mary Miles Minter's "The Little Clown" includes several athletes.

The star herself is an expert horse woman, and Jack Mulhall, the leading man, is also an experienced equestrian, so that he needed no "double" to play his trick-riding circus scenes. Neely Edwards, who plays a clown role, is a clever eccentric dancer. Cameron Coffey is a record-holding boy swimmer and diver, and Lara Anson is a dancer.

In addition to these agile players, a whole circus was hired to contribute real big top stuff to the circus part of the story, which closes its run at the Majestic today.

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AT STRAND THIS EVENING

Two vaudeville acts and a Goldwyn picture, starring Pauline Frederick, a serial and a Fox News reel make up the program at the Strand this evening. Janet Willard and Bonchey and Owens who have won so much favor on the north side will offer their comedy for the approval of the south side. Miss Willard has a select list of songs and comedy character that gets a big laugh. Bonchey and Owens present songs, dances and comedy bits. They are clever entertainers. Pauline Frederick, the screen's supreme emotional

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### Public Debate

DAYLIGHT SAVING  
Editor, Tribune and Leader-Press.  
Dear Sir: Please allow me a few lines in your paper in regard to "daylight saving." It seems to me that a measure of this kind is entirely unnecessary and unadvisable to put into effect May 1. I cannot see where there is any saving in coal or any decrease in price because of the daylight saving. In view of the fact that there are so many men out of work and so many men working only a limited number of hours a day it seems to me entirely inadvisable to put this measure into effect as the men that are working and do the manual labor have plenty of time to spend up the garden and do all kinds of other work and then be at leisure. During the daylight saving start a few years ago I spoke to one workman who told me he had to get up at 4:30 sun time in order to be to work at 7 o'clock after the time was set one hour ahead. It seems to me entirely unnecessary to make a change of this kind when the most of those that are in favor of this new ruling get up later, have easier and pleasanter work to do and are better compensated for their work. The most of the men that now are hardly putting in enough time or earning enough to warrant the necessity of making a change in time. When it comes to the election on this subject, I want to say that the result does not represent the sentiment of anywhere near all the people that voted, as the figures in many wards are so low, especially in the outlying districts, many people not voting at all on this. If this was a general change in time all over the country I would not say anything, but as this is only a local matter why not have the time as it was and let well enough alone as in the past instead of making a change.

There are other matters far more important and vital to every man, woman and child to adjust and it seems to me this is more of a fad than anything else. When our council comes to decide on this matter I hope that they will consider it in more than one way and render a decision to the best interests of one and all alike. Thanking you for the space in your paper, I am, Yours respectfully,  
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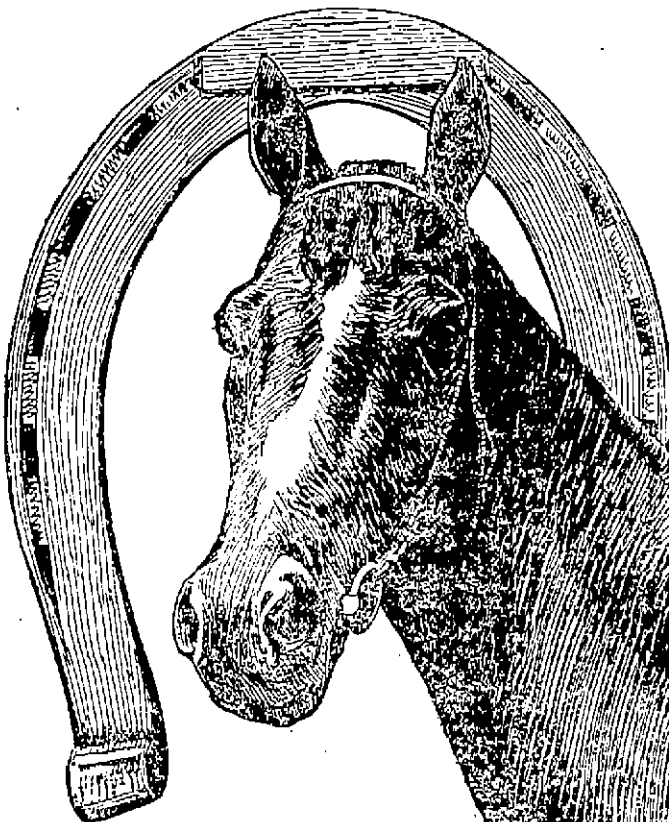
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# PRIVILEGE TAX ON AUTOMOBILES PLAN OF NEW MEASURE

Two Percent Tax Based on Value of Car to Take Place of Present Property Tax

OWNER'S VALUATION OF CAR TAKEN AS BASIS OF THE TAX

Motor Trucks Taxed on Basis of Carrying Capacity

By FRED L. HOLMES  
MADISON, Wis., April 26.—Wisconsin automobile owners will probably be compelled to pay a 2 per cent tax on the value of their cars in the state based on the value of their car in addition to the regular \$10 license fee. The bill on this subject came from the committee this week and the sentiment of the legislature seems to favor it. This 2 per cent tax will take the place of the local property tax now paid on automobiles.

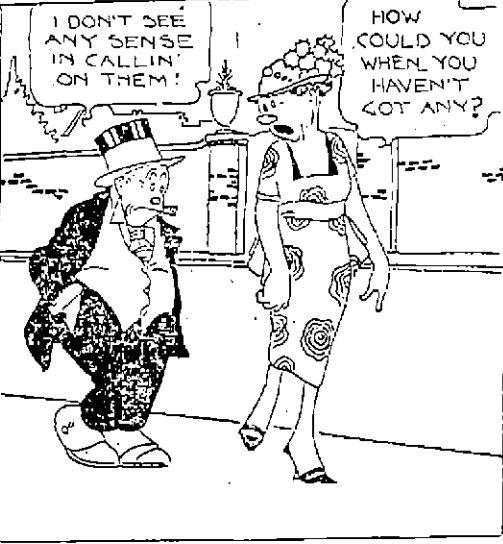
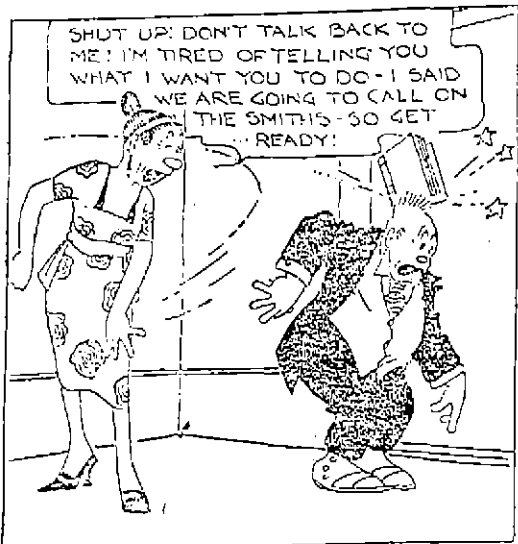
Scores of conferences have been held over this measure all winter. The tax payment would be made to the state at the same time the license application is filed. Secretary of State Elmer S. Hall and a number of others have been active in working out a new automobile tax plan.

The funds raised from these two sources—license and privilege tax—will take care of all highway improvement. License revenues will go to the maintenance fund, and the privilege tax will be devoted to road and bridge construction and administration.

In addition to stating the license number, the registration plate will bear an alphabetical designation showing the value its owner places up it for taxation purposes. The letter "A" will indicate cars worth less than \$200. Each successive letter, up to and including the letter "Z", indicates an increase of \$200 in value. The letter "K" indicates a valuation of from \$2,000 to \$2,500, and each en-

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ditional letter up to and including "X" represents an increase of \$250. Beginning with the letter "M" which indicates a valuation of \$1,000 to \$1,500, each letter represents an increase of \$500, up to and including the letter "R" which represents a valuation from \$1,500 to \$5,000. Beginning with "R" the valuation increases \$1,000 each letter, up to and including the letter "X". The letter "Z" indicates cars worth \$10,000 or more.

The self valuation clause is safeguarded by a provision that no auto owner shall be able to recover in an action for injury to a machine an amount greater than the value he certified for taxation purposes. The bill also contains a provision under which five persons may sign a statement to the secretary of state declaring

any under-valuation which they have knowledge of. Upon receipt of this statement the secretary of state will certify the facts back to the local assessor for a revaluation. If the owner is found to have undervalued his car, his license is forfeited and another of the proper classification is issued on a penalty payment of dou-

ble the usual fee and privilege tax. This bill wipes out the general property tax for highway purposes, amounting to \$1,700,000 a year, or approximately four-tenths of a mill, utilized to meet federal aid requirements.

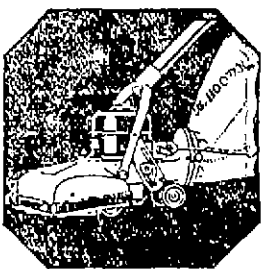
Under the state aid law \$785,000 a year is taken from the general fund

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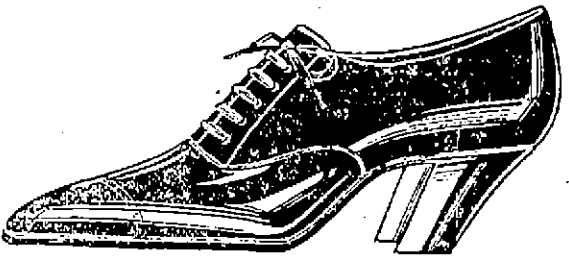
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